

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 9 on page 22 as follows:

The hose may be configured as shown in FIG. 10. Specifically, the reinforcement material [[1]] 2 shown in FIG. 5 is halved into inner and outer part in the hose radial direction, the outer part 2X in the hose radial direction is a hard synthetic resin, and the inner part 2Y in the hose radial direction is a soft synthetic resin. With this, the reinforcement material 2 becomes easy to be deformed at the angular parts 2A and 2B that are extended from the both sides of bottom surface of the reinforcement material 2 and melt-welded to the tape material 3, and simultaneously the desired strength of the hose can be maintained at the hard outer part 2X, whereby it is possible to minimize a decrease in the flexibility of the hose. The hose may be formed in such a manner that two extruders for extruding hard synthetic resin and soft synthetic resin are provided, synthetic resins extruded from these extruders are integrated into the reinforcement material 2, the reinforcement material 2 is fed to the former, and then the tape material 3 is wound on the former. Alternatively, the hose may be formed in such a manner that the previously formed reinforcement material 2 is fed to the former and then the tape material 3 is wound on the former.